

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM (SFSP)



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Summer Food Service Program and Seamless Summer – Getting Local Elected Officials (Mayors, School Boards, PTAs, County and City Reps) Involved

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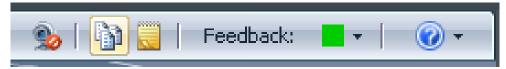
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What is SFSP?

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- Federally-funded program administered through State agencies
- States reimburse sponsors (could be you!)
- Provides free, nutritious meals to lowincome children, 18 years old and younger
- Operates when school is not in session



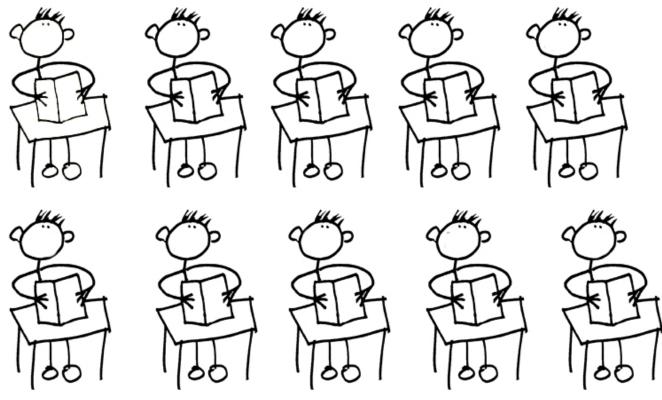
21 million children receive school meals VS.

2.3 million children receive summer meals

90% ELIGIBLE CHILDREN ARE NOT BEING REACHED! **19 MILLION CHILDREN**



Only 1 in 10 kids who are eligible for free summer meals get those meals





Main Players

States

- Sign agreements with sponsors
- Provide training and technical assistance to sponsors
- Monitor and distribute reimbursements

Sponsors

- Handle administration and training for sites
- Report to State

Sites

- Feed and supervise kids
- Report to sponsor



Free Meals Served at Sites

Scattered poverty

■ **Enrolled site** which provide free meals for children whose eligibility has been individually established

Concentrated areas of high poverty

Drop-in sites (open sites) where all children eat free without the need of additional paperwork because the site is area eligible (even if enrolled program)





Program Benefits

- Gives children the food they need to learn, play and grow
- Helps families stretch food budgets
- Keeps children mentally and physically engaged







Seamless Summer

Who's eligible? School Food Authorities (SFAs) participating in the National School Lunch (NSLP) or School Breakfast Program (SBP) are eligible to apply for the Seamless Summer Option.

Who participates? SFAs serve meals free of charge to children, 18 years and under.

Where's the money? SFAs are reimbursed at the NSLP and/or SBP "free" rates.





Federal Incentives

Each FY, USDA pays the State Agency administering the program, funds to cover expenses incurred administering the SFSP. [7 C.F.R. §225.5(a)]

State Administrative funds are based on how many meals your State serves!

More Meals = More Money





Benefits to the Community

JOBS! JOBS! JOBS!

http://www.fns.usda.gov/outreach/SNAPandSFSPmap.htm





Economic Benefits at the Local Level

Your local government agencies and organizations can be Sponsors and get reimbursements for administrative costs

Administrative costs are those expenses incurred by the sponsor for activities related to program planning and oversight.

Administrative costs may include:

- Salaries for administrative, monitoring, or support staff
- Rental of office equipment and office space
- Travel or insurance costs

Examples of local gov't entities as sponsors:

- Parks and Recreation Departments
- City and County Health Departments
- Schools
- Libraries
- Neighborhood services
- •4-H Camps





Work with Partners for More Funding



Colorado & Connecticut





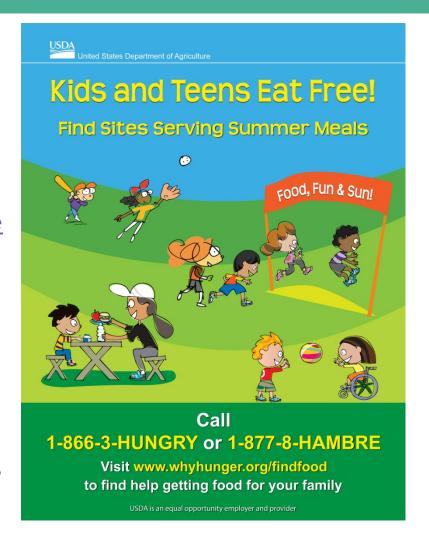
Next Steps - USE YOUR INFLUENCE

Learn more about what's going on in your community.

Contact your State agency administering the SFSP

www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Contacts/State
 <u>Directory.htm</u>

- Reach out to existing Sponsors including nonprofits, schools, and faith-based and community organizations.
- Promote the summer feeding sites to parents and children





USDA Resources!

- Contact your state agency: <u>www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Contacts/St</u> <u>ateDirectory.htm</u>
- SFSP Outreach Page: <u>www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Summer/Outreach.htm</u>
- Main USDA Summer Food page: <u>www.summerfood.usda.gov</u>
- Streamlined Policies!

